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FM AMEMBASSY DAKAR

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INFO AMEMBASSY ABIDJAN

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AFDROUGHT

E.O. 11652: N/A

SUBJ: GRAIN SHIPMENTS TO MALI

1. DURING OSRO MEETING THE IMMEDIATE URGENCY OF SUPPLYING THE 6TH REGION OF MALI WAS BROUGHT TO THE ATTENTION OF THE CONFEREES BY THE CHAIRMAN (KONATE) AND OSRO (STEVENSON). WITH ALL SHIPMENTS CURRENTLY BEING ROUTED TO GAO THERE REMAINS A DEFICIT OF 1,500 MT. THIS TAKES INTO CONSIDERATION CURRENT US AND FRG AIRLIFT AS WELL AS TRANS-SAHARA SHIPMENT AND COTONOU-GAO MOVEMENT.

2. PRESENTLY THERE ARE FIVE 500 MT TRAINS PER WEEK OPERATING BETWEEN ABIDJAN AND OUANGOLODOUGOU AND OUAGADOUGOU. IT WAS PROPOSED THAT TWO OF THESE TRAINS BE USED ONE WEEK AND ONE THE FOLLOWING WEEK FROM ABIDJAN TO OUAGADOUGOU FOR A TOTAL OF 1,500 MT TO SATISFY THE DEFICIT. THE GRAIN WOULD THEN BE HAULED BY TRUCK VIA NIAMEY TO GAO.

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3. WE BELIEVE PROPOSAL AFFORDS IMMEDIATE ADDITIONAL MEANS ASSURING GAO REQUIREMENTS AND REDUCING POTENTIAL COST AIRLIFT. MOVEMENT COULD BEGIN WITHIN NEXT 10 DAYS. RECOMMEND, THEREFORE, AD/W AUTHORIZE SHIPMENT 1,500 MT FROM ABIDJAN TO GAO VIA THIS ROUTE. AS WITH TRANS-SAHARAN ROUTE PROPOSAL IS THAT ADDITIONAL SHIPMENT COST ABOVE PA/PR FUNDS BE BORNE FROM SAHEL FUNDING. ESTIMATED TOTAL COST THIS ACTION IS APPROX. \$250-300,000 OF WHICH APPROX. 100,000 WOULD BE CHARGED APPROPRIATE PA/PR.

4. THIS ACTION DOES NOT PRECLUDE POSSIBLE DIRECT ABIDJAN-GAO TRUCKING POSSIBILITIES NOW BEING EXPLORED AS REPORTED SEPTTEL.

5. SNYDER/JAMES/DOERR CONCUR THIS PROPOSAL.  
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